July 1, 1946.

My dear Dr. Meader:

Enclosed you may find a 'progress report' on my work on bacterial genetics, prepared on the basis of our conversation of the 29th. It is of course understood that the allegations made an this report are subject to modification in the course of the research; it is intended only to convey a notion as to the status of the problem, rather than to be a publishable set of claims. For that reason, I have omitted many relevant details, and some of the arguments may not appear to be entirely rigorous,

While I do not know now the date of the resumption of classes next Fall, I would suggest Sept. 15 1947 as a reasonable date for the termination of the extension of my fellowship which I hereby request.

Very sincerely yours,

Joshua Lederberg.